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Applicant: William Edward James  
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Walk-Run-Stepper Pedal  
Exerciser

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RESPONSE TO REQUIREMENT FOR AN ELECTION OF SPECIES  
UNDER 35 USC121

Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Group Art 3764  
Washington, DC 20231

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Dear Sirs:

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In an Office Action dated 30 October, 2002, an election of species was required between  
the following:

Species A: Fig. 1  
Species B: Fig. 4  
Species C: Fig. 9  
Species D: Fig. 14  
Species E: Fig. 17

Applicant elects Species B, directed to a return means using a fluid (e.g., pneumatic).

Claims 1, 2 and 5 are believed to be generic. Claims 3 and 9 are directed to the elected  
species. Claims 14, 15 and 16 are generic to all species.

Applicant notes that the elected species being patentable, examination will be resumed  
on the unelected species. Applicant reserves the right to file one or more divisional applications  
directed to the non-elected species.

Respectfully submitted,

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